

**REMARKS**

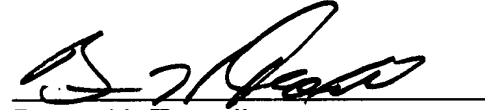
In view of the foregoing Applicant submits that this application is now in examination. An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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